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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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SUBJECT: DI Research Program for 1984


1. Attached are the first increments, in draft, of the DI research program for 1984 (NESA, OSWR, and OCR). The basic approach is similar to the one we used last year--a number of cross-cutting themes, followed by programs for each office. This program, however, covers only nine months; beginning with the 1985 program, we plan to switch to a fiscal year basis in order to better coordinate our research planning with that of DoD elements and with our own funding of external research projects. We also have made some adjustments in the cross-cutting themes:

- We have eliminated the separate theme on world trade policies and mechanisms, but we have included projects on this topic under the themes on industrial competitiveness and international finance as appropriate.
- We have changed the title of the theme on "penetration" to make it clear that it covers the activities of all Communist countries.
- We have added themes on global terrorism and international narcotics.

2. The list of themes for 1984 is, therefore, as follows:

- The Soviet Military-Industrial Complex
- Communist Penetration of the Third World
- East-West Technology Transfer
- The Foreign Intelligence Threat to US Interests
- Global Terrorism
- Nuclear Proliferation
- Foreign Industrial Competitiveness
- International Borrowing and Lending: Country and Systemic Risks
- International Narcotics

3. I am looking forward to your comments and suggestions. As usual, we need them as soon as possible in order to begin printing of the final document.

  
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